

"We had one case where police were called in and the woman brought up the issue that the father was six months behind in child support, and my office will entertain a complaint for that also."

A costly freedom Policing KKK rally proves expensive

The aftermath of a Ku Klux Klan rally has Edwardsville officials concerned over the cost of guaranteeing free speech for a few.

A force of more than 100 state, county and local law enforcement officials stood guard Friday as 30 Klan members rallied against liberal politics, homosexuals, black-on-black crime and other issues on the plaza between the Madison County Courthouse and Administration Building.

About 250 gathered to watch. Director of Police Bennett Dickmann declined to release the exact number of law enforcement officials at the scene but said the cost of police protection ran into the thousands of dollars.

"It was a larger crowd than what I had hoped for," Dickmann said of the spectators. "We were prepared. Enforcement costs were well into the thousands of dollars. I cannot give an exact figure. I guess the question now is, was it worth it?"

"Both sides enjoyed their free speech rights. Some people will

say it's worth it," Dickmann said.

Mayor Gary Niebur said he shares Dickmann's concern. He said he hopes Friday was the last time the city will have to police such a rally. "Hopefully, they won't come back to Edwardsville," he said.

A 5-foot-high orange snow fence along the edge of the plaza kept counterdemonstrators and onlookers 40 yards from the estimated 30 Klansmen, who rallied for about two hours.

City police guarding the fence carried fire extinguishers, apparently in response to a St. Clair County man who had made threats to throw burning gasoline on the Klansmen.

Dickmann said police received intelligence information that warranted extra police protection, but declined to discuss any threats.

"Based on the information we received, we felt it absolutely necessary to be prepared," he said. "Our preparation resulted in a deterrent. Our planning and preparation was a whole lot cheaper than any possible mitigating factors that could

have resulted from a major disturbance."

Niebur said the cost in overtime for Edwardsville officers was worth it to keep the peace.

There was one minor disturbance. Three anti-KKK demonstrators are facing misdemeanor charges after allegedly creating a disturbance and resisting arrest.

Police did not release the names of the three suspects Monday, but said all gave addresses in St. Louis.

Two men in their 30s were arrested and each was charged with disorderly conduct. A 17-year-old girl has been charged with disorderly conduct and resisting and obstructing a peace officer.

"They all bonded out Friday night," Dickmann said. "We are still reviewing the cases with the city attorney and are not prepared to release names at this point."

The three protesters were wrestled to the ground and handcuffed by Illinois State Police shortly after the rally got under way at 8:30 p.m. Friday.

— From the Alton Telegraph



Illinois State Troopers keep a generally hostile crowd under control during Friday's Ku Klux Klan rally in Edwardsville.

(Staff photo by JOHN SWISTAK JR.)

Two hurt as taxi hits utility post

A 33-year-old taxicab driver was charged with marijuana possession and driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs after his Rainbow Taxi struck a utility pole in West Granite City on Saturday morning.

The cab driver, Randy D. Allen, of the 1700 block of Olive Street, Granite City, was charged after he ran his taxicab into a utility post on West 20th Street near Dewey Avenue at 6:12 a.m. May 7.

An ambulance took Allen and his passenger, William Donald, of the 2200 block of Lee Avenue, to the emergency room at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

A police report states that Allen was bleeding from his head when an officer arrived on the scene.

When the officer asked Allen for identification, Allen said that he was driving on a traffic ticket, which could be found in his jacket pocket, the report states.

The officer reported finding a pipe and a small quantity of a green leafy substance, alleged to be cannabis, in Allen's jacket pocket while searching for identification.

Allen refused to take a urine test, the report states.

Later Saturday, he transferred from SEMC to St. Louis University Medical Center. He was released from the St. Louis hospital Sunday.

Donald was admitted to SEMC but later signed out against medical advice, a hospital spokesperson said.

Fire calls

Station 1

May 1
• 3:48 p.m., barrel fire in the 2100 block of Delmar.

May 2
• 7:28 p.m., gas odor in the 2200 block of Edison.

May 5
• 1:17 p.m., call in the 1400 block of State Street.

• 4:20 p.m., trash fire in the 2200 block of Cleveland.

• 5:27 p.m., call on Wilson Park Lane.

• 9:50 p.m., call in the 600 block of Kirkpatrick Homes.

May 6
• 9:44 a.m., van fire in the 2000 block of 19th Street.

• 1:01 p.m., assist on an ambulance call in the 2000 block of Cleveland.

Station 2
May 7
• 3:24 a.m., call at Route 3 and Niedringhaus.

• 6:15 a.m., assist at automobile accident in the 2000 block of Illinois.

Station 3
May 1
• 1:38 p.m., assist at automobile accident at Maryville Road and Woodlawn.

Last defendant sentenced

A federal judge sentenced an Edwardsville man to a year's probation last week for his part in substandard work on the MetroLink light rail approach to the Ends Bridge in East St. Louis.

John W. Steiner, an assistant superintendent for Korte-Plocher Construction Co., pleaded guilty March 3 to charges that he failed to disclose substandard work on the project after becoming aware of it. Steiner was the last of the defendants charged in the case.

In addition to the probation, District Judge William L. Beatty fined Steiner \$1,000 and ordered him to perform 200 hours of community service.

The company, which had the MetroLink contract, has been ordered to pay a \$100,000 fine.

Robert Plocher and James Spaeth were sentenced in October to nine months in prison and five months of home detention, plus community service, for their part in the case.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Ranley Kilian prosecuted the case on evidence gathered by U.S. Department of Transportation and Federal Bureau of Investigation agents, who received awards for their work from Attorney General Janet Reno.

— From the Alton Telegraph

Morgue burglary attempt a mystery

By Scott Wuerz
Staff writer

Madison County Coroner's Office officials are puzzled about the motives behind an attempted break-in at the county morgue.

Coroner's Office investigator Ralph Baahmann said someone apparently tried to break into the facility sometime during the weekend.

"The intentions of the burglar, or burglars, are unknown at this point," Baahmann said.

"But this was obviously the work of someone who knew what they were doing."

Baahmann said phone lines to the building were cut, as were lines to the burglar alarm system. An electric meter was pulled from the wall.

"Besides the damage done breaking in, with the amount of electricity going into the meter, the building could have easily burned to the ground," Baahmann said. "We're not taking this lightly."

The burglars apparently tried to get into the building through a window.

Baahmann said nothing in the building was missing. Only one body was in the building at the time.

Edwardsville Police said the case is currently under investigation. There was no police report available at press time.

Fatal shooting probe continuing

By Rob Staggengborg
Staff writer

A Bridgeton police officer involved in the shooting death of a 36-year-old former Granite City area man may have violated Bridgeton police policies that govern vehicular pursuit.

Maryland Heights police are continuing their investigation of Bridgeton officer Christopher Slater, 29, who allegedly shot former Maryland Heights resident Timothy Scott Sloss on May 3.

The shooting occurred following a vehicular chase from a Bridgeton bank to a Maryland Heights subdivision.

Funeral services for Mr. Sloss, a car salesman, were conducted Friday in Granite City, with burial at Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon.

Sloss, who allegedly tried to cash a forged check at Magna Bank, 12296 St. Charles Rock Road, was wanted in Chesterfield and Maryland Heights on forgery charges, police said.

Slater was dispatched to Magna Bank after a teller called police about the check. When Sloss attempted to flee from the scene, Slater and another officer pursued Sloss' vehicle, it was alleged.

According to Bridgeton police regulations, "Pursuit of a vehicle into another jurisdiction shall only be made when the driver is wanted on a serious felony."

Section 16.01 of Bridgeton's police code defines a serious felony as one involving "an actual or threatened attack that the officer has reasonable cause to believe could or has resulted in death or serious bodily injury."

Additionally, the regulations state: "Officers involved in a

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— Warren Runge
Police chief

pursuit must continually question whether the seriousness of the violation reasonably warrants continuation of the pursuit."

The pursuit shall be discontinued when there is clear danger to the officer(s) or others."

Bridgeton Police Chief Warren Runge said he could not comment on the case or the city's police regulations until Maryland Heights' investigation is completed.

Slater, who remained on administrative leave this week, could not be reached for comment.

"We must take a look at the standards and policies in effect and examine the actions of the officer. Then, we will reach a decision" on Slater's future as a police officer, Runge said.

"We do this in every case involving vehicular pursuits and the use of deadly force."

Bridgeton Police Department regulations state that "officers involved in vehicular pursuit will be held accountable for the continuation of a pursuit when circumstances indicate the pursuit should be discontinued."

Maryland Heights Police Chief Neil Kurlander said the investigation into the shooting is expected to be concluded later this

week. The results will be forwarded to St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney Bob McCulloch's office for review.

Whether Slater's use of deadly force was warranted is the primary focus of the Maryland Heights investigation, Kurlander said.

Section 8.03 of the Bridgeton police code addresses the use of deadly force by officers. It states officers must "exhaust every alternative means for apprehension known to be available at the time, before resorting to the use of deadly force."

That regulation allows police to discharge their firearms when "there is imminent and substantial risk that the fleeing suspect will cause death or critical bodily harm if apprehension is delayed."

According to witnesses and a police report of the incident, Sloss got out of his vehicle after the chase and pointed a dark-colored object at Slater that the officer believed was a gun.

Slater then fired 13 times, Kurlander said.

Sloss was hit once in the head and once in the back. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

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Inspections to speed Madison federal housing applications

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

The Madison building inspector will now — for a fee — help city residents applying for federal housing get preference points for currently living in a substandard dwelling.

Applicants for housing in the units operated by the Madison County Housing Authority — including Grenzer and Garsche Homes in Madison — are given preference if they have an inspection report showing that their present dwelling is substandard by federal guidelines.

Building Inspector Mike Foley, formerly did the inspections for Madison residents, but was told to halt them this year when it was found to be outside his statutory responsibilities.

After the inspections were halted, several aldermen complained that the loss of preference points for Madison residents meant that the new residents of the homes were coming from other communities where inspections were being done.

On Tuesday the aldermen unanimously approved an ordinance establishing the inspections and setting an inspection fee of \$25 — the same amount charged for occupancy permit inspections.

Foley said that, in addition to fairness to city residents, he considered the inspections important because "it is sometimes the only chance I get to take a look at some of these places."

He said that was especially important in cases where the landlord has been skirting the requirement for occupancy per-

"If I find violations, I can put together the letter and get it out to the owner."

— Mike Foley
Building inspector

mits. Foley said that being found substandard under the federal guideline does not always mean a dwelling does not meet the city's building code.

"But for some of the condemnations we have done, the way I first got in was by this method," Foley said.

"If I find violations, I can put together the letter and get it out to the owner." City Attorney Casper Nighohossian said this type of inspection allows the building inspector to see the dwelling "at an important time" because the inspector can see its conditions while it is actually occupied.

Inspection of an occupied dwelling may find semi-permanent violations — heaters or appliances powered by an extension cord run down the hall, or extension cords wired into the circuit box serving as outlets.

Such violations would not exist during an inspection done while the dwelling was vacant, he noted.

Alderman John Hamm asked if the police department had a procedure for notifying the building and health inspectors if, in the course of law enforcement duties, police officers come across obvious violations of city codes.

Police Chief Paul Bargiel said officers seeing violations of that

type fill out a report and provide a copy of that report to the appropriate inspector or inspectors.

Hamm asked if it would be better to call the appropriate inspector to the scene.

Nighohossian said that wasn't necessary because, once the inspector has been notified of a violation, the inspector should take photographs of the violation.

He said, however, it would be helpful if the police could take photographs of the violation. Alderman Richard George said there are a number of derelict buildings in the city and "it doesn't take an expert to tell that they need to be condemned." He said the city needs to be actively pursuing condemnations.

He and several other aldermen asked about the status of a number of buildings upon which the City Council had approved condemnation proceedings.

Nighohossian said all the condemnation files had been turned over to Assistant City Attorney Mark Spengler and that he and Spengler had held a long meeting to discuss condemnation procedure.

Spengler, who has only held the position for about a month, said the aldermen should be seeing some progress on condemnations in the near future.

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Scott Connell

Scott Connell will be MC for Spring Follies

KSDK weatherman Scott Connell will be the master of ceremonies for the Spring Follies Revue, Community Care Center of Protestant Welfare has announced.

Connell will MC the event, set for Friday, May 20, at the Granite City High School auditorium from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Tickets are available for a \$5 donation in advance or \$6 at the door the night of the show.

Connell has known he wanted to work in the meteorology field since he was a young child. In fact, his first job was researching temperatures for his local TV station at the age of fourteen.

Connell has come a long way since then. He has been broadcasting the weather for Newschannel 5's 6 a.m., 6:30 a.m. and noon newscasts since he joined KSDK in January 1991.

In addition to forecasting the weather, Connell enjoys speaking to students and other groups on severe weather and the field of meteorology.

Prior to his work at KSDK, Connell worked as staff meteorologist at WYOU-TV in Scranton, PA. His duties included preparing and delivering forecasts for the station's morning and noon weekday newscasts as well as weekend reports.

Before working in Pennsylvania, Connell was a fill-in weather anchor at KCTI-TV in New Bern, NC.

Connell's experience also includes work in radio as a news anchor-reporter for WKNC-FM in Raleigh, NC.

A 1986 graduate of North Carolina State University, Connell received a Bachelor of Science in Meteorology with an emphasis in weather communication and forecasting. He is single and lives in Creve Coeur.

Balen to speak at Peace Church

Steve Balen, superintendent of the Granite City School District, will be the guest speaker at the 10:45 a.m. service Sunday, May 15, at Peace Church, 2216 Charles St.

Rev. M. David Malone, Peace Church pastor, said he invites everyone to come hear Balen. For more information, call 876-4218.

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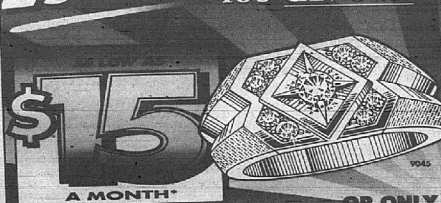
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Vacation Bible School being planned



Lucille Martin

Lucille Martin covers the Pontoon Beach scene for the Press-Record/Journal. She can be contacted at 931-0721.

The Senior Citizens held their regular meeting April 30 in the Pontoon Beach Senior Citizens Hall. Everyone took a covered dish for a pot luck dinner. Those attending were Bill and Ruth Dagon, Ed and Rose Edmiston, Helen Cholewick, Otto and Corine Kreher, Everett and Alice Hudson, George and Sarah Winterberg, Irene McCaslin, Birdie Tanyon, George and Gladys Bass, Dorothea Kirksey, Stanley and Loreta Golab, Lotie Ostresh, Carl and Jean Horstmeier, Sylvia Massman, Julia Moner, Andrew Simard, Nora Birtley and Irene Weber.

Vacation Bible School will be held from 9 to 11:30 a.m. June 20 through June 24 at Pontoon Baptist Church, 4000 Highway 111. There will be a preschool (children four to five years) through sixth grade.

Spread the word by telling your friends and neighbors. There will be a well-staffed facility with lots of activities planned.

Don and Linda Boswell spent the weekend in Dover, Tenn., where they visited Lee and Gail Gruwell, who are former residents of this area.

Peggy Smith returned home from St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where she had been a patient last week.

Her children, Wayde and Michelle Stallman and children, Jeremy and Lindsey, of Oak Town Place, Mo., David Smith of Collinsville and Karen Buckel and children, Chrissy and Tom, of Chesterfield, Mo., visited her on Mother's Day.

Louise Haynes celebrated her birthday while visiting her family in Canby, Ind.

They enjoyed an outing and lunch in Indiana's First State Park at McCormick Creek in Spencer, Ind.

Attending a banquet dinner later in the evening in the Canyon Inn were her sons, David Haynes and his wife, Pauletta, and daughters, Amanda and Alice; and Buddy Haynes of Sheldon, Ill.

They all took a four-mile hike after the meal. Louise also visited with friends, Hollis and Nancy Cochran in Mooresville, Ind., before returning home.

The Pontoon Baptist Church, 4000 Highway 111, is presently holding services at 7 p.m. on Thursday evening. Church members are studying an overview of the Bible using five telephone numbers to help children understand how the Bible is put together.

This month, a preschool and children's time is being added to the Thursday night program. Laura Lee Falter is directing this new endeavor.

There will also be a group for children meeting concurrently with the worship service in the sanctuary for the overview of the Bible.

Diabetes class set

Kathy Haarmann, RN, BSN, certified diabetes educator and the patient education coordinator at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, will be part of the teaching team in a free take charge of your diabetes class offered at SEMC.

The class will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, May 18, in the Wiesman Room, on the first floor of the West Wing, at SEMC.

The class will include:

- a general overview of diabetes;
- symptoms;
- diabetes management;
- exercise;
- testing and
- complications of the condition.

A registered dietitian will present nutrition information related to diabetes, including information on sweeteners, fiber, label reading and fast foods. A pharmacist will speak on medications, including insulin and oral agents.

The class is free, however, space is limited. Pre-registration is required. For more information, or to pre-register, call the SEMC Education Resources Department at 798-3201.

'The proof is in the ridership' for MCT

Convenience, low fares attract more commuters

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Public transportation is recognized as an ideal way to preserve precious resources, protect the environment and provide convenient, inexpensive transportation for commuters.

Madison County residents in a 16-township area benefit from one of the most convenient, inexpensive and comprehensive transit authorities, the Madison County Transit Authority.

"The proof is in the ridership," said MCT Managing Director Jerry Kane. Since refocusing the emphasis of the transit district in the mid-1980s, "ridership has exploded," Kane said, increasing from an average of 13,000 riders per month to an average of nearly 30,000 per month now.

Through a complex series of coordinated, fixed shuttle routes throughout the county, riders can get from one point to almost any other in the county between 6:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday for a local fare of 25 cents or an extended route fare of 75 cents. Elderly and disabled riders receive substantial discounts.

When requested, slight deviation from these fixed routes is also possible in certain circumstances, Kane said.

Try that in Los Angeles. Kane said MCT fares are the lowest in the country. "Our 25-cent local fare is unique," he said, comparing a short trip across town here with a similar trip in Missouri that would cost a dollar.

In addition to the system of shuttle routes within the county, MCT coordinates services with the Bi-State Development Authority and St. Clair County Transit District to ensure that those who want to utilize public transportation can arrive at just about any destination in the St. Louis area.

And through the Agency for Community Transit (ACT), a private, not-for-profit, federally-funded agency operated through MCT, providing door-to-door transit service, Madison County Transit District residents enjoy what Kane calls "the most customer-oriented service in the country."

"We believe in Madison County, every week is 'Try Transit Week,'" Kane said, alluding to an annual promotional tool utilized by many transit agencies across the nation.

"There isn't a day that goes by that our staff isn't working to make public transportation more convenient."

Contrary to the experience of nearly every public transit operation in the country, MCT has seen a steady decline in the cost-per-revenue-hour of service while continually expanding services since its formation in the early 1980s. The increased efficiency is attributed to a refocused expansion strategy initiated in 1986, Kane said.

Until 1986, MCT contracted with Bi-State to provide most bus service in the county. Bi-State operated several fixed routes, but the routes were on very limited schedules and the large buses could only maneuver on large streets, Kane said that, if the Bi-State routes included stops in residential neighborhoods, nearby residents complained that the huge coaches actually shook their homes when they passed.

At that time, MCT switched from the utilization of standard, 40-foot transit coaches operated by Bi-State to much lighter, smaller and less costly, lift-equipped vans and mini-buses. In addition to being less costly to operate, the easily-recognized green-and-white MCT buses are better suited for streets and residential neighborhoods in the villages and towns of Madison County.

The smaller buses are able to get into neighborhoods where the big buses couldn't go or shouldn't go," Kane said.

Before the switch, he said, area residents along the Bi-State routes complained regularly that the large buses disrupted their homes and lives.

But when we replaced two Bi-State routes with the smaller buses, those complaints evaporated," Kane said.

MCT has reinvested the cost-savings from the switch in vehicles into new, expanded routes making the service available to nearly every county resident who wishes to use it.

The five-year route expansion strategy began in June 1988 with initiation of four shuttle routes in Alton. In December 1990, Madison and Northgate fixed-route shuttles were established in the Tri-Cities area. The plan continued in March 1991 with the expansion of the Granite City shuttle and the implementation of the Venice-SUE station, connecting Edwardsville to the East St. Louis Metrolink station.

In August 1991, Collinsville, Bethalto, Wood River, Hartford, Pontoon Beach, Roxana, South Roxana, East Alton, Cottage Hills and Alton services were expanded. Edwardsville, Glen Carbon and Troy services were later expanded.

Each of the shuttle routes has convenient designated stops along the way, but MCT does not necessarily board and alight every designated stop. Riders may board MCT buses anywhere along designated routes by choosing a safe location to flag down the driver as the bus approaches.

Try that in New York City. Centrally-located transfer centers — like the one at 19th Street and Edison Avenue in Granite City — make it possible to catch connecting routes to various destinations in virtually every direction.

The Granite City Transfer Center provides Bi-State connections across the river as well as MCT service to and from East and West Granite, Venice, Madison, East St. Louis, SUE, Eagle Park, Pontoon Beach, Alton, Roxana and Wood River.

Riders may catch connecting buses to their destinations at each of those locations — guaranteed.

"Easier to track, trains and other delays will delay any bus. But if one of our buses is delayed for any reason and a rider needs to catch a transfer, our drivers radio ahead to transfer points to see if it is possible to hold up a bus until the delayed bus arrives. If that isn't possible, another bus is dispatched," Kane said.

Try that in Chicago. By carefully studying route schedules and maps — available at many MCT stops — Madison County residents can plan either a daily commuter route to and from work or a special day trip to other destinations in Madison and St. Clair counties or St. Louis.

Or, if unable to obtain routes and maps, information can also be obtained by calling 931-RIDE (that is, 931-7433).

"All they have to do is call and ask us how to get from one address to another destination, our customer service staff will work out the route for them," Kane said.

Try that just about anywhere outside Madison County. Kane said future plans include MCT involvement in developing a bicycle trail from the new Clark Bridge in Alton to the Eads Bridge in East St. Louis; establishing a park and ride lot at Eastport Plaza in Collinsville; and developing the Vandalia-Nature Trail from East Drive in the Edwardsville/Glen Carbon area to Long Lake and perhaps Horseshoe Lake near Pontoon Beach.

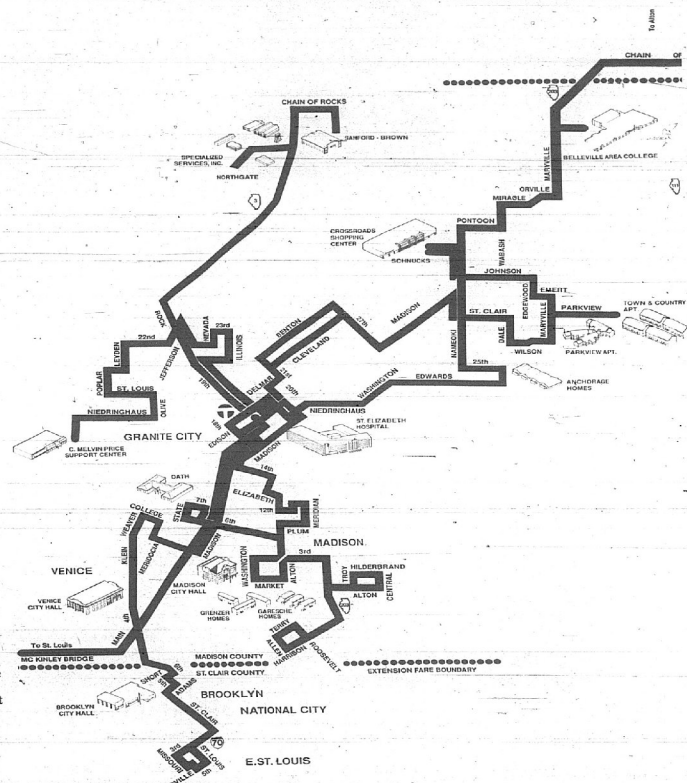
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Map shows routes criss-crossing Granite City area.

Personalized Township, ACT offer unique service

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Granite City Township residents have one of the most personalized transportation services in the nation — the township bus service.

"There aren't too many places where you can make a telephone call, be picked up at the door, taken wherever you need to go and then take you back home — all no charge," said Bernadine Hagnauer, township office manager.

To be eligible for the free service, one needs only be a township resident, 55 years of age or older, without personal transportation.

"We really emphasize that the service is for those without other means of transportation. That is only fair," Hagnauer said.

She said that the service is also available to persons with temporary disabilities due to hospitalization or illness.

"Of course, we wouldn't deny the service to anyone with a real need," she said.

The blue-and-white township buses make between 2,100 and 2,800 one-way trips per month, Hagnauer said.

She said that many of the riders are handicapped or elderly individuals who utilize the township buses to get to and from doctor's appointments or the grocery store.

"It just allows the seniors to be a little more independent. They don't have to be as

dependent on friends and family to get them to the doctor or grocery store," she said.

Riders are asked to call 877-8584 the day before their trip to schedule a ride.

On several occasions, Hagnauer said, township van drivers have rescued riders in medical emergencies.

"One man had fallen and lay on the floor all night. He knew that the bus was to pick him up at 9 a.m. the next day, and when the driver arrived he heard the man calling for help," Hagnauer said.

Another rider who regularly met the bus at the street failed to do so one day. The driver investigated and found the woman lying on the floor bleeding.

"This service is just so important for so many people for so many reasons," Hagnauer said.

Another convenient service, coordinated by Madison County Transit, is the Agency for Community Transit (ACT) door-to-door bus service.

The ACT service, available to all residents of 16-township Madison County Transit District, also picks up riders at their door. Trips within the district cost \$1 each way. Trips to St. Louis are \$2 each way. District non-residents must pay an additional 50-cent surcharge.

Riders who wish to utilize the ACT door-to-door service are asked to call 931-RIDE at least one day in advance to schedule

service. Rides can be scheduled up to two weeks in advance.

Granite City Alderman Juanita Crawley is one of the ACT service's staunch supporters.

Crawley, handicapped since childhood, suffered a stroke last April and has not been able to drive since. Her husband, Tom, who accompanies her nearly everywhere, does not drive.

"I have to be at City Hall this afternoon and will be in committee meetings until 8:30 tonight," Crawley said Tuesday.

"I use the ACT bus because they run until 11 p.m.," Crawley said.

City Council meetings have been known to occasionally run later than the township bus service.

"If it wasn't for those buses, I don't know how I would get around," Crawley said.

MCT Managing Director Jerry Kane said a state-of-the-art scheduling system makes the door-to-door service possible.

"The schedule changes day to day with the needs of the people. We hope, with a future improvement, to be able to one day provide an immediate response," Kane said.

Through the use of Federal Highway Administration funds earmarked for congestion mitigation and air quality improvement, ACT has relieved Madison County Transit of the burden of purchasing hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of vehicles, Kane said.

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competition at a parking lot located near Busch Stadium, south of Highway 40 off of Seventh Street.

Bi-State Executive Director John K. Leary Jr. said "Try Transit Week" is designed to promote the role of public transportation with a goal of changing commuting habits and highlighting alternatives to driving alone.

"Try Transit Week is an ideal time for citizens to examine their personal travel choices and give consideration to commuting via public transit or sharing a ride," Leary said.

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Obituaries

Geneva Redman

Geneva Hodahins "Sue" (San Soucie) Redman, 71, of Granite City died at 11:45 p.m. Tuesday, May 10, 1994, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center after a three-day illness.

She was born April 22, 1923, in Granite City, where she had been a lifelong resident.

Mrs. Redman was a control specialist with White-Rogers for 20 years and a member of Holy Family Catholic Church, Granite City.

Survivors include one daughter, Kathleen Williams of Granite City; three brothers, Thomas San Soucie of Granite City, Walter San Soucie of Walla Walla, Wash., and Gary San Soucie of Omaha, Neb.; two sisters, Madeline Villot, Donna LeMaster, Dorothy San Soucie and Lois King, all of Granite City; her friend, Jack Brennan of Granite City; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Gilbert Redman, who died in November 1993; her parents, Thomas William San Soucie and Fern (Frida) San Soucie; and one sister, Juanita Sigite.

Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. today at Irwin Chapel, 3990 Maryville Road, Granite City, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday with the Rev. William Fisher officiating. Graveside services and burial will be announced at a later date.

Lawyers, McPike get Law Day honors

The Madison County Bar Association held its annual Law Day breakfast April 29 at Rusty's Restaurant in Edwardsville.

Certificates of recognition were presented to lawyers who participated in the radio program, "Ask the Lawyer."

In addition, plaques in recognition of participation were presented to those lecturers from the Bar Association who participated in the People's Law School this year at Belleville Area College in Granite City.

In a special presentation, the Madison County Bar Association's Liberty Bell Award was presented to State Rep. Jim McPike in recognition of his contributions as representative and House majority leader to the American judicial system.

McPike is retiring after 18 years in the Illinois House.

Madison County Bar Association

Veterans group offers local scholarships

Scholarships are to be made available by the Disabled American Veterans Chapter 33 of Granite City.

Applications must be submitted by July 15 and should include the following: Name, address and Social Security number; grade-point average/scale; ACT scores; evidence of need; and a letter of recommendation from a teacher or counselor; and name and address of the school student will attend.

Applications should be submitted to the Disabled American Veterans Chapter 33, 1419 19th St., Granite City, Ill. Attention: Scholarship committee.

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month. The aldermen voted to accept the letter and place it on file, but refused to concur with either its reasoning or conclusion.

In the letter, Bradley said the EPA would perform additional testing of an area in right field at the diamond.

That area tested above 480 parts per million of lead, but the letter said it and the remainder are below the 500 parts per million threshold set for the local cleanup.

The EPA's \$35 million NL Industries/Taracorp Superfund cleanup of lead contamination here calls for removal of the top six inches of soil in a large area of Granite City, Madison, Venice and Eagle Park where the lead level is found to be 500 parts per million or more.

Bradley said the overwhelming majority of the households surrounding the 12th Street Diamond had refused to give the EPA access for testing, but that most of those granting access had also tested below 500 parts per million of lead.

Alderman John Hamm, one of the officials who met with Bradley, said, "I don't think he ever actually said whether it was safe or not."

The City Council voted unanimously to have Bradley attend

Patricia Presley

Patricia (Lysen) Sorlie-Presley, 56, of Granite City died at 5 a.m. Wednesday, May 11, 1994, at DePaul Health Center, St. Louis, after being ill for more than three years.

She was born Feb. 9, 1938, in Duluth, Minn., and had been a resident of Granite City for 27 years.

She was an account settlement agent with the Farmer's Home Administration and was an Army veteran. Mrs. Presley was of the Lutheran faith.

Survivors include her husband, Eugene Presley; one son, Donald Martin Sorlie Jr. of Granite City; two daughters, Donna Stephens and Margaret Presley, both of Granite City; one brother, Robert Lysen of Aberdeen, Md.; and one grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Donald Martin Sorlie Sr.; and her parents, Ernest and Astrid (Peterson) Lysen.

Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. today at Irwin Chapel, 3990 Maryville Road, Granite City, where services will be held at 11:30 a.m. Friday with the Rev. Allen Reiter officiating. Burial will be at St. John Cemetery, Granite City.

Memorials are requested for the American Diabetes Foundation.

Robbery

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license plate number as he saw the car leave northbound on Highway 209, according to a police report.

An officer stopped a similar car on Maryville Road at Blue Spruce Court minutes after the robbery.

Meeker, the driver, possessed an unloaded .25-caliber semi-automatic pistol at the time, a police report states.

A red flannel shirt, a Chicago White Sox baseball cap, and \$243 cash in a plastic bag were recovered from Meeker's car, the report states.

Ruebhausen praised the police officers who apprehended Meeker as well as the restaurant employees who witnessed the event.

"The citizens victimized provided very good information and the officers did a good job, locating the car, stopping it and recovering both the property and the gun," he said.

The May 24 City Council meeting and, if at all possible, bring the results of the additional testing.

In other business, the council agreed to have the city participate in the annual cleanup to be held Saturday, May 14, by the Concerned Citizens of West Madison.

The group asked that the city provide trash bags and a trash container and other help, and for the city to clean up the property it owns in West Madison.

The group also requested that the city contact the railroad, the owners of derelict houses in West Madison and the owner of the former Dunbar School to ask that those areas be cleaned.

The city unanimously approved four resolutions allowing Mayor John Bellotti to enter into agreements with Madison County Community Development.

Two of the resolutions covered grants for repairs for flood damage to sewers — work already funded at a 90 percent rate by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

The grants would make the projects fully federal-funded.

Another of the resolutions dealt with the city's application to have an elevator installed at City Hall in order to make it accessible under the federal Americans with Disabilities Act.

That project was turned down last year with a notation to resubmit it this year.

The final resolution dealt with assurance that the city conforms to federal and state fair housing requirements.

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Fuel Buford

Fuel Buford, 68, of Melbourne, Fla., formerly of Granite City, died at 5:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 11, 1994, in Florida.

He was born Nov. 13, 1925, in Centerville, Mo., and had been a resident of Granite City for 30 years.

A carpenter and contractor for 25 years, Mr. Buford was a member of the Shriners, Masons and Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include his wife, Carol Buford; two sons, Kenneth Buford of Granite City and James Buford of Orlando, Fla.; two daughters, Linda Fannings of Okawville, Ill., and Joyce of Cocoa Beach, Fla.; one brother, Paul Buford of Granite City; two sisters, Helen Floyd and Leona Revelle, both of Granite City; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jeff and Lora Buford.

Services will be held at 4 p.m. Friday at South Brevard Funeral Home, South Brevard Blvd., Melbourne, Fla.

Lois Hofstetter

Lois (Frederick) Ward Hofstetter, 66, of Granite City died at 7:40 p.m. Monday, May 9, 1994, at Colonades Nursing Home, Granite City, after a one-year illness.

She was born Feb. 13, 1928, in Ripley County, Mo., and had been a resident of Granite City for 45 years.

Employed at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Belleville, for 19 years prior to her illness, she was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include one son, Gary Ward, Jr., of Granite City; one daughter, Diane Ward of Granite City; one sister, Margie Lotte of Placerville, Calif.; two grandsons and one great-granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond Hofstetter; and her parents, Orville and Mae Frederick.

Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at Edwards Funeral Home, 606 Walnut St., Doniphan, Mo., where services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday. Burial will be at Doniphan Cemetery.

Trivia

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The six Granite City churches built between 1900 and 1904 were Immanuel Lutheran, 1900; Zion Methodist, 1900; St. Joseph's Catholic, 1901; St. Peter's Evangelical, 1903; Park Avenue Methodist Episcopal, 1903; and First Baptist, 1904.

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(Staff photo by PAM. DOEPKE-HURD)

Giveaway — Rev. John Henry Williams, right, and Rev. Henry Crippen prepare for the Clothing and Food Giveaway to be held beginning at 2 p.m. Saturday at the New Salem Missionary Baptist Church, 1349 Klein St., Venice. This Project Cleanup program will be broadcast live on WCNU-AM 920 from 2 to 3 p.m., and is sponsored by the interfaith ministry of New Salem MB Church; and the Word of Life Tabernacle, 1201 Edwardsville Road.

Death and Christianity is topic of service

"Death and the Christian Faith — How We Can Prepare?" will be the topic of a service to be held at the Nameok United Methodist Church, 1905 Pontoon Road, from 7 to 8:15 p.m. Sunday nights, May 15 through June 19.

On May 15, the topic will be the Bible and death. The session will look at questions like: What happens after death? What will we be like? What about relationships? And What about heaven and hell?

Medical issues will be the topic May 22 with Melba Boyd as guest speaker.

United Methodist Social Principles say: "We applaud medical science for efforts to prevent disease and illness and for advances in treatment that extends the meaningful life of human beings. At the same time, in the varying stages of death and life that advances in medical science have occasioned, we recognize the agonizing personal and moral decisions faced by the dying, their physicians, their families and their friends. Therefore, we assert the right of every person to die in dignity, with loving personal care and without efforts to

prolong terminal illnesses merely because the technology is available to do so."

On May 29, final arrangements will be the topic with Skip Millhouse as speaker. He will discuss planning and decisions that are best made while living. Burial considerations will also be discussed.

On June 5, grief will be the topic with Dr. Barthoff, a psychologist, as speaker. What is grief? How do you get through grief? How do you "start over" and What can the church do to help? will all be discussed.

On June 12, legal issues will be the topic. Who needs a will? What does a will do? and What are the legal issues surrounding death?, will all be discussed.

On June 19, planning a Christian funeral and a memorial service celebrating the church triumphphant will be the topic.

An offering will be taken at each session to defray the cost of this series.

For more information, call 877-1936.

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Silver Streak

Clinton wants Social Security to become independent agency

By Bill Hunt
Social Security Administration

The Social Security Administration soon will become an independent agency if President Bill Clinton has his way. The change would remove Social Security, its 65,000 employees and 1,300 field offices from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Proponents of the proposal, including the National Association of Social Security Managers, say the change would result in less bureaucracy plus more stable leadership in the higher echelons of Social Security.

Clinton recently announced his support of the proposal, which has passed the Senate and is expected to pass in the House. Social Security Commissioner Shirley Chisholm, who had opposed the proposed change in the past, concedes that revising Social Security as an independent agency probably would increase public confidence in the program.

Should the proposal pass, don't look for changes in your monthly Social Security benefits. Entitlement requirements and benefit amounts also are unlikely to change. Also unaffected would be the controversial investment of Social Security's reserves in

government securities. Q. I have been receiving Social Security benefits for more than 10 years. One of the good points about Social Security is the annual raises we get. I recently read that our next raise was going to be cut. Is this true?

A. A recent proposal by Illinois Congressman Dan Rostenkowski would do just that: Rostenkowski, chairman of the powerful House Ways and Means Committee, recently proposed several changes to Social Security. His concern is that Social Security is expected to run into financial difficulty in the next 30 years or so.

Some of the changes he has proposed include reducing the 1995 cost of living raise by 0.5 percent, increasing the amount of taxes collected on Social Security benefits, and increasing Social Security payroll taxes. Rostenkowski's bill is in its infancy. There may not be enough time to change the law before 1995 — even if he gets a lot of support. But Social Security, although solvent now, will need changes within the next three decades. Expect more proposals and debates over what should be done.

Q. I'm going on Medicare in December. Am I required to purchase insurance to supplement Medicare?

A. It is not a requirement, but

most people tell me that they feel the need for private medical insurance to go along with Medicare. When you are deciding whether to purchase a supplemental policy, also known as "Medigap" insurance, remember that Medicare does not pay all of your medical expenses.

It does help with hospital and doctor bills, but there are deductibles and co-payments you will be responsible for. And Medicare, with some rare exceptions, doesn't pay anything toward dental care, eyeglasses, prescription drugs, routine physical exams and the cost of medical care while you are outside the United States.

For more details, call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 and ask for a free copy of the "1994 Guide to Health Insurance for People with Medicare."

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FAMILY

Thompson-Morgan

Kimberly Ann Morgan, daughter of Michael and Linda Morgan of Pontoon Beach, and Dale Alan Thompson, son of Elaine Degener of Granite City, were married Dec. 11, 1993, at Mount Zion General Baptist Church, Granite City, by the Rev. Alan Sykes.

The maid of honor was Julie Kern of Granite City, niece of the groom. Bridesmaids were Valerie Wilson, Dawn Godare, Jodie Kern, niece of the groom, and Karen Rupp.

The best man was Dick Thompson of Tucson, Ariz., brother of the groom. The groomsmen were Jamie Morgan, cousin of the bride; Dean Kern, brother-in-law of the groom; Danny Ferguson; and Billy Morgan, uncle of the bride.

The ushers were Truman Revelle of Granite City and Jim Cant of Edwardsville. The flower girl was Shelley Clark, cousin of the bride. Clay Wilson was the ringbearer. The miniature bride was Karla

Yehling-Althardt

Pamela Louise Yehling, daughter of Ronald Yehling of Edwardsville and Robert and Judy Gooch of Bethalto, and Richard Allen Althardt, son of Richard and Nancy Sue Althardt of Collinsville, have announced their engagement.

Yehling, a 1987 graduate of Edwardsville High School, is employed by Mercantile Bank in St. Louis as a trading assistant. Althardt, a 1986 graduate of Collinsville High School, is employed by Rake and Spring Inc. in Maryville as a sales representative. The couple plans an Oct. 15 wed-



Dale and Kimberly Thompson

Jones, cousin of the bride, and the miniature groom was Andrew Erkers, nephew of the bride.

A reception was held at the AMVETS Hall in Madison. The bride is a graduate of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville with a bachelor of science degree in accounting. She is employed by CFI Corporation, St. Louis, as an accountant.

The groom is a graduate of Western Illinois University, receiving a bachelor of science degree. He is employed by the Department of the Army, St. Louis, as an administrator.



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Richard Althardt and Pamela Yehling
ding at Eden United Church of Christ in Edwardsville.

Sanchez-McGowan

Melanie A. Sanchez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence McDonald of Alton and the late Roscoe R. King, and William R. McGowan, son of Mr. and Mrs. William McGowan of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Sanchez is a graduate of Southwest High School.

McGowan is a graduate of Granite City High School South and Ranken Technical College, St. Louis. He is employed with American Steel Foundry, Granite City.

The couple plan an Oct. 15 wedding at St. John Lutheran Church, Granite City.



Melanie Sanchez and William McGowan

Terrell-Paul

Sara L. Terrell, daughter of Gary and Jolene Terrell of Granite City, and Jerald D. Paul, son of Albert and Lillie Paul of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Terrell, a graduate of Granite City High School, is employed by the law firm of Pratt, Bradford and Tobin, P.C., East Alton, as a legal secretary.

Paul, also a graduate of Granite City High School, is a Belleville Area College and Illinois State Police Academy graduate. He is police officer with the Columbia Police Department.



Sara Terrell and Jerald Paul

The couple plan a June 11 wedding at Calvary Baptist Church, Granite City.

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Warriors close in on SWC title

GCHS stays perfect with 5-1 win over Maroons



(Staff photo by PAM DOEFHURF)

Corey Dickerson improved to 6-0 with Tuesday's victory over Belleville West.

By Tony Panozzo
Staff writer

The race to the top in the Southwestern Conference is all but over. Granite City's 5-1 victory over Belleville West on Tuesday made sure of that. Now for the next question:

Can the Warriors, now 7-0 in the SWC and 18-4 overall, finish undefeated in conference play? Belleville West coach Chuck Hasenstab, whose team was the last to turn the trick by going 10-0 in 1989, pondered the Warriors' chances after officially declaring the SWC race dead.

"It's over," Hasenstab said. "The only way it's not is if Belleville East beat them (Friday), and I think that would be a tie. Unless there is a total collapse, it's over."

"IT IS NOT easy (to go undefeated). You have to be playing some good ball. Your hitters have to be hot and you have to get some breaks."

The Warriors have all that, plus one of the best pitching staffs in the area. Granite City continued its march to the SWC title by defeating Belleville West for the second time this season. The Warriors can clinch at least a tie for the conference title today against East St. Louis. Granite City will then play Belleville East on Friday and

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will close out its conference schedule Tuesday at Collinsville. Belleville East is 5-2 in the SWC, and Collinsville is 5-3.

Weather permitting, Friday's game against Belleville East will be Granite City's fourth SWC game of the week. The Warriors rallied to defeat Collinsville 5-4 in eight innings Monday.

Granite City's last outright conference title came in 1987, when the Warriors went 9-1. "This is a huge week for us," Lignoul said. "If we beat East on Friday, we win it. The big game of course is Friday, but we're not going to overlook East



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St. Louis. "Things are going right for us. I felt we beat two very good teams in Collinsville and Belleville West."

BY DEFEATING THE Maroons, the Warriors won their third straight game and have taken six out of their last seven. Senior ace Corey Dickerson went the distance Tuesday, limiting the Maroons to five hits and an error (See WARRIORS, Page 5B)

Mosby to sign with SIUE

By Tony Panozzo
Staff writer

Granite City High School basketball player Darren Mosby has committed to play at Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville next season and is expected to sign a letter of intent today.

Mosby, a three-year starter for GCHS, led the Warriors in scoring in last season's season and received All-State honorable mention honors. The senior player chose SIUE after a lengthy recruiting process.

"I'm very happy for Darren," Granite City coach John Van Buskirk said. "I think it's a good deal for him. Plus, we get to watch him. That'll be fun."

Mosby chose SIUE over several other local schools, including Lewis and Clark and Belleville Area College. He will compete on the NCAA Division II level next season under SIUE coach Jack Manghera.

Mosby enjoyed an outstanding career at GCHS and averaged 19 points and 5.1 assists per game last season for the Warriors, who finished second in the Southwestern Conference. Mosby closed out his senior season with his best year yet and was named the top player in the SWC.

Leaps and bounds

Progress in long jump furthers Robertson's chances at state

By Mike Kelly
Correspondent

Ryan Robertson has been a blessing in disguise for Granite City High's track team this season.

Robertson, a senior, has finally found his niche. A sprinter by trade, Robertson has developed into an outstanding long jumper. He produced his best effort of the season (20 feet, 11 inches) April 8 at the Belleville West Invitational.

"That really lit a fire under him," Granite City coach Dave McClain said. "Since that meet, Ryan has taken a serious approach towards that event. He's having a good season and I'm not surprised by his progress."

"Ryan's just a little more physically mature this season. He's always had good speed, but his legs have gotten a lot stronger and his technique is excellent."

WHICH MEANS HE has an outside chance of getting to state this season. Robertson has to jump 21-10 or better to earn a trip to Charleston.

"It's within reach," Robertson said. "But getting there isn't that easy. A lot of people think just because I jumped 20 feet, getting to 21

should be easy but it isn't. "Everything has to be just right. Concentration is the key, but you have to enjoy what you're doing. Trying too hard at times can hurt you. Every time I do that, I lose something on my launches. It's definitely a challenge, but I'm having fun."

The effort is there, but Robertson is nursing a sore knee and a sore shin on his left leg. Robertson hopes he can overcome those nagging injuries before the sectional meet on May 20.

The Warriors will also compete in the Southwestern Conference meet today at East St. Louis.

"I've been struggling of late," he said. "My jumping leg is a little tender. I haven't been real strong on my take-offs of late, but there's still time for me to reach my qualifying distance. The conference meet is extremely important to me."

"I CAN WORK on a few things in that meet without the pressure of knowing it could be a do or die situation. I'd really like to go to state. It would be a fitting reward to my season, but anything above what I've already done is a bonus."

Robertson flirted with the

(See JUMPER, Page 2B)



(Photo by MARK BONEBRACK)

Warrior senior Ryan Robertson hopes to clear 21 feet in the long jump this season.

Sectional meet nearing for Trojanettes

By R.J. Gerber
Staff writer

Madison-Venice girls track coach Al Collins doesn't know a whole lot about the Rochester Sectional field, but one thing's for sure. The addition of Latasha Montgomery should help his squad.

Montgomery, who ran in Tuesday's regular-season finale at Collinsville, should be with the team for Saturday's sectional.

AND THAT WILL give the Trojanettes a boost, Collins said. "Hopefully, Latasha will be there for us," Collins said. "She will make us that much stronger."

Montgomery, who is trying to get in shape after missing more than a month with academic difficulties, will bolster the Madison-Venice relay teams and could also compete in the 800 and 1,600-meter runs.

The Trojanettes are one of 18 teams scheduled to compete at Rochester. The field includes Auburn, Carlinville, Metro East Lutheran, Gillespie, Girard, Hillsboro, Litchfield, Mt. Olive, Palmyra Northwestern, Painesville, Rochester, Roxana, Springfield Calvary, Springfield Lutheran, Virden and Waverly.

Although Collins hasn't seen the entire field during the regular season, he knows what teams should be in the running for the sectional (See SECTIONAL, Page 2B)

Schedule

Thursday, May 12
BOYS TRACK: Granite City at Southwest Missouri State, Springfield, 4 p.m.
BASEBALL: East St. Louis at Granite City, 4:15 p.m.
TENNIS: Granite City at East St. Louis, 4:15 p.m.
GIRLS SOCCER: Hazelwood East at Granite City, 8 p.m.
Friday, May 13
TENNIS: Granite City at Southwest Missouri State, Springfield, 4 p.m.
GIRLS TRACK: Granite City at Collinsville, 4:15 p.m.
BASEBALL: Belleville East at Granite City, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 14
GIRLS TRACK: Madison at DuQuoin, 4 p.m.
TENNIS: Granite City at Carlinville, 4:15 p.m.
BASEBALL: Granite City at Carlinville, 4:15 p.m.
Sunday, May 15
BOYS TRACK: Madison at DuQuoin, 4:15 p.m.
BASEBALL: Granite City at Carlinville, 4:15 p.m.
TENNIS: Granite City at Alton, 4 p.m.
SOFTBALL: Collinsville at Granite City, 4:15 p.m.
BASEBALL: Granite City at Collinsville, 4:15 p.m.
Monday, May 16
TENNIS: Granite City at Beeson, 4 p.m.
GIRLS SOCCER: Granite City at Carlinville, 4:15 p.m.

Lady Warrior soccer

	Goals	G	A	P
Staci Dowdy	12	26		
Brittany Kessel	8	19		
Kami Kessel	4	14		
Holly Farnsworth	4	13		
Lewy Eason	4	10		
Jennifer Splaingard	3	8		
Denise McMullan	3	7		
Kelly Thomas	2	7		
Denise Dufko	2	1		
Kelly Williamson	1	1		
Feney Kreher	1	1		
Amy Hanson	1	1		
Nancy Beagan	1	1		
Kara Cason	0	3		
Al Haddix	0	1		
Ronie Simpson	0	2		
Jamie Oelbringe	0	2		
Tonia Gernovase	0	1		
Amanda Nizinski	0	1		
Mikla Economy	9	shots	10	goals allowed

Southwestern Conference				
Team	W	L	T	Overall
Granite City	5	0	3	8
Belleville East	4	1	3	8
Collinsville	5	3	2	8
DePew	5	3	0	8
Alton	3	6	6	15
East St. Louis	1	7	4	10

Eagle lineup returns for another Mon-Clair run

By Tony Panozzo
Staff writer

With back-to-back league playoff titles over the past two summers, the Granite City Eagles undoubtedly have a tough act to follow this year in the Mon-Clair Baseball League.

But player/manager Daren DePew welcomes the challenge of leading the Eagles to a "three-peat." Granite City, playing in just its fifth year in the league, swept the Waterloo Buds last summer to wrap up its second straight Mon-Clair title. "It's definitely was enjoyable the past two years," DePew said. "This year, we're kind of in the situation where everyone's

coming after us. We reached the level that was our goal when we started (in 1989)."

"We're trying to carry that on. The goal now is to maintain that level."

THE EAGLES got an early taste of what the season could be like on Sunday when they opened the year with two losses to East Alton. Granite City tore through the league last year with a 20-3 regular-season record and rolled through the playoffs.

"We didn't live up to that Sunday," DePew said. "We're missing some players right now, but that's no excuse. We didn't play well enough."

Several key players from last year are finishing up their college seasons at Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville, including Brian Harshany, Doug Duncan, Bob Spotsanski and John Spolsanski.

DePew, the Mon-Clair League's top pitcher last season, dominated the opposition and helped lead the Eagles to the title along with pitcher Darin Hendrickson. Harshany and his SIUE teammates could be back with the Eagles as early as this Sunday for a doubleheader

against O'Fallon at Dal Maxvill Field.

Several mainstays were already back in uniform Sunday for the Eagles against East Alton, notably Hendrickson, Tim and Jamie Hogan and John Moad. The addition of Harshany, the Spotsanski brothers and Kaskaskia Junior College player John Corzair will give Granite City the lineup that overpowered the rest of the league last year.

"IT'S QUITE A lineup," DePew said. "I think we're the type of ballclub that will be tough to beat. DePew, one of the league's top hitters, will catch and anchor (See EAGLES, Page 4B)

Trivial matters

1. Who was the future Olympic and world champion who set an IHSA record with a time of 13.2 seconds in the 110-meter high hurdles during the preliminaries of the 1976 Illinois state finals?

2. Who placed an "inconspicuous" third in the IHSA Class AA boys triple jump competition in 1978 before moving on to bigger and better things?

Answers at right.

Community Sports Calendar

Park District sponsoring trips to Busch
The Granite City Park District will sponsor three trips to Busch Stadium for senior citizens to attend St. Louis Cardinals baseball games this year. Tickets for the first game, May 23, are on sale in the Wilson Park office. The cost is \$7 for the ticket and \$3 for bus transportation to and from the game. The bus leaves at 9 a.m. and a half before game time from the Wilson Park ice rink.
The first game is May 23 between the Cardinals and the Philadelphia Phillies. The bus will leave at 5:30 p.m. for the 7:05 p.m. game. The second game is July 27 against the New York Mets, scheduled to begin at 7:35 p.m. The third game is Aug. 25 against the Cincinnati Reds. For more information, call 877-3059.

Coming up

Making a racket
Joe Markel (left) and the Warrior tennis team will compete in the Southwestern Conference meet this weekend in Alton.

Trivia answers
1. Greg Foster of Maywood, Ill.
2. Al Joyner of East St. Louis, Ill., brother of Jackie Joyner-Kersey and a future Olympic medalist.

SPORTS

Sectional

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team title. "Garvinville is tough and so is Roxana," Collins said. "And Hillsboro is a team to reckon with. Rochester's got some speed, too."

The Trojanettes should be bolstered by the return of Montgomery, but Shylah Wiley is questionable. Wiley missed Tuesday's meet with an injury to her quadriceps muscle.

"Not having Wiley could really hurt our relay teams," Collins said.

The relay teams are what Collins believes will have the most success in the postseason. The 800 medley and 4x100-meter relays seem to be Madison's best shots at reaching the state meet May 20-21 in Charleston.

"We've got to plan some strategy for the sectional," Collins said. "We want to qualify as many individuals as we can, but our relay teams seem to be our best bets (to reach state)."

Collins said he did some experimenting Tuesday. One result of that was freshman Carmanisha Samuels' effort in the 400. Samuels ran a 1:06.3 and took second behind an Edwardsville competitor. Samuels could also run on the 800 medley and 4x100 relay teams.

Joining the freshman sensation on the 800 medley team are Jol Woodfork, Wiley and Christina Short. That foursome could also take part in the 4x100, with the exception of Tiffany Taylor replacing Woodfork.

Collins said Wiley could qualify in the 100 and Samuels might be a good shot to advance in the 400, although Tuesday's effort was her first all year in that event.

Other competitors for the Trojanettes in sectional competition should include Valerie Woodfork in the 800, and Short, Woodfork and Montgomery could join Woodfork in the 4x100 relay.



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD) Madison High's Latisha Hyster competes in a recent meet.

Jumper

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long jump last year, but he got discouraged and walked away from it before the season started.

"My best effort last year was 19-6," he said. "I couldn't get any distance on my jumps, and the rest of the jumpers on our team were seniors. So I decided to leave the jumping to them. They had more experience than I did."

"But I just couldn't walk away from it. I didn't dwell on it during the off-season, but when practice began, we needed someone to handle that event. Coach McClain had the confidence to let me try it again."

Robertson went 18-6 in Granite City's first outdoor meet of the season March 21 at O'Fallon. But he topped that effort by going over 20 feet the following week at Belleville West.

"It's been a fun season for me," Robertson said. "Had I done it last season, the added experience would really benefit me right now. But I'm not going to dwell on it."

"This is my last year in track, anyway. I'm going to college next year (St. Louis University) and I'm going to concentrate on my studies (law). But I'm always trying to do my best. Whether I make it to state or not, I want to make my coach proud. I want to help my team and I always want to please myself."

Spring signals birds' emergence

Spring is a time for many things. Whether you're fishing, hunting mushrooms, mowing the lawn or simply trying to wake up with the bedroom window open, one spring thing is songs, flights and appearance of the birds.

Sure, there are birds which winter in this so-called temperate zone (it doesn't always feel temperate), but the appearance of spring and summer birds across the region is fantastic.

But the National Audubon Society is asking how long folks think this annual rite will continue. According to the society, there have been major declines in the numbers of birds—especially the neotropical migratory birds—being seen across North America.

Neotropical migratory birds are those feathered critters that spend their summers nesting and rearing their young in the United States and Canada, but then migrate south into the Caribbean and Central and South America for the winter.

While we normally equate such migrations to ducks and geese, there are many species of birds which do this.

Birds, like all wild critters, are affected by many things. Nothing affects them in numbers like damage or the outright disappearance of their habitat. Habitat is that combination of places where they live. The elements of a good habitat include cover, food, water, space and air.

Eliminate or alter just one of those elements and you've impacted the habitat adversely, the critter tremendously.

The Audubon Society celebrates International Migratory Bird Day on Saturday. "This special day was established to call attention to the plight of migratory birds and to help people learn what they can do to help make life easier for migratory birds," says Chris Indoe, assistant director for public affairs for the Audubon Society.

In addition, Audubon is pursuing legislation to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to improve habitat management for migratory birds and is urging inclusion of conservation and biodiversity issues in the Western Hemisphere Summit to be hosted by President Bill Clinton in December in Miami, Fla.

These are all high-sounding, far-reaching issues. But what can the average person do?

Plenty. First, the destruction of the tropical rain forests is a socio-economic issue. Examine what you buy and why. If consumers are well-informed and use products which encourage forest conservation by using wood products, we can change what is happening in the tropics.

But we can't just point southward and say the problem is all there. We've already largely impacted our local environment but we can make changes. If we own rural land, we can learn how to manage it properly for profit and conservation. Some old-timers believe that farmers must keep their fence rows and field borders "clean" or it shows they are lazy.

However, it might also show they are aware of the needs of wild creatures.

We've drained and agriculturalized almost all of the wetlands in the United States. We need to preserve what we have and to manage our bottomlands properly. Riparian corridors, as these strips of woodlands along streams and rivers are called, must be planted and managed not torn out and planted.

Such corridors are cheaper than levees and they'll hold the banks if done properly. Sure, the land will flood in high water years but by squeezing the rivers with levees, we cause the floods to be higher and more damaging overall.

Even in our suburban backyards, we can have strips of cover that will serve the birds. A bird feeder is nice, but a mix of habitat that provides cover for nesting and protection from weather and predators is better.

For more information, contact the St. Louis Metro Office of the Missouri Department of Conservation at 1715 Craigwood Drive, Kirkwood, Mo., 63122. Or call (314) 821-1571. Ask for the "Backyard Wildlife" brochure.

OUTDOOR NOTE: A new "Activities Guide" is now available free from the St. Louis County Department of Parks and Recreation, 44 South Central Ave., Clayton, Mo., 63105. The 24-page guide highlights activities for all ages, ranging from the opening of a new water park at St. Vincent Community Center in mid-summer to music concerts to fishing float trips and nature hikes. Send 52 cents in stamps (not attached to an envelope) for postage and mark your envelope "Activities Guide."

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the batting order at cleanup. The Hogan twins are back in their usual spots: Tim will play in the outfield and be leadoff, and Jamie will be at shortstop batting second.

Moad is at first base and will hit third. The rest of the lineup includes Harshany at third when he is not pitching, Duncan at second and Bob and John Spotsanski in the outfield.

The key reserves are Cozari, who will back up DePew behind the plate, and Jim Stout, Mike Bryant, Rich Takmajian and Dennis Gurkin. The team also plans to add high school players Corey Dickerson, Mark Winfield and Jeff Ridensour to the roster.

While the Eagles are not deep,

they are versatile. Hendrickson, DePew and Jamie Hogan can all play several different positions. "The nice thing is having a guy like Darin, who can pitch in the first game and play just about anywhere and do well in the second game," DePew said. "That's the type of ballplayer he is and that's how you win games in this league."

Hendrickson pitched Granite City's first game against East Alton and took the loss in a 5-3 setback. DePew started the second game and pitched 6½ innings before giving way to Jamie Hogan. East Alton won 5-4 in eight innings.

As was the case last summer, the Eagles will rely on Harshany and Hendrickson to make most of the starts this year.

"Our pitching is definitely one of our strengths," DePew said. "It may take Darin a little longer because he's out of college. Brian will be ready."

The Eagles are in the Mon-Clair League's North Division this year after winning the St. Clair Division last season. The other teams in the North Division are East Alton, Edwardsville, East St. Louis and O'Fallon.

The South Division is made up of Waterloo, Millstadt, Valmeyer, Sauget and newcomer Belleville. Belleville has returned to the league after a two-year absence.

"It's nice to see them back," DePew said. "I hope they do well and make it through the season."



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Fit to be tied — Staci Dowdy (left) battles Collinsville's Aimee Jenkins for the ball in Monday's 1-1 tie at Memorial Field. The Lady Warriors will play host to Hazelwood East at 6 p.m. tonight.

SIUE to offer summer youth camps

Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville will offer a series of day and resident sports camps this summer for area youth. Camps will be held in the following sports: Baseball, softball, basketball, soccer, soccer goalkeeping, cross country and wrestling.

Unless otherwise noted, all camps will be conducted at SIUE athletic facilities, including the Yadalabene Center.

Baseball
A day camp teaching the fundamentals of baseball will be held June 6-10, meeting from 9-11:30 a.m. each day. Registration is \$62. A day camp of advanced training in baseball will be held June 13-17 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Registration is \$125.

Speed and flexibility
A day camp designed to improve speed and flexibility for all sports is scheduled June 14-17 for youths aged 10-18. Classes will meet from 6-8 p.m. Registration is \$50.

Cross country
Instruction for cross country team participation for boys and girls in grades six through 12 will be held July 25-29 from 6-8 p.m. Registration for teams of five members is \$250; teams with six or seven members is \$350. Cost per person is not competing on a team is \$60.

Soccer
A day camp teaching the fundamentals of soccer to high school students will be held July 25-29 from 6-8 p.m. Registration is \$45. Instruction for becoming a goalkeeper for high school teams will be held during the same period and time. Registration for the goalkeeper camp is \$70.

Baseball
A day camp teaching the fundamentals of baseball to children aged 7-13 will be held Aug. 1-5 from 6-8 p.m. Registration is \$45. Instruction for becoming a goalkeeper for children aged 7-13 will be during the same time period. Registration is \$45.

Softball
Instruction in pitching for beginners in softball will be held June 6-8 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Registration is \$45. Advanced instruction for pitching will be held during the same time period. Registration is \$45.

A day camp teaching the fundamentals of softball is scheduled.

EHS baseball

camp June 6-10

The 1994 Edwardsville Tiger Baseball Camp will be held from 9-30 a.m.-noon on June 6-10 at the Edwardsville Sports Complex on Center Grove Road.

Students beginning the fifth grade through high school will be instructed by the Edwardsville High coaching staff and baseball players. The objective is to instruct youth in the fundamentals of baseball, including throwing, fielding, hitting, bunting, baserunning, defensive strategies, offensive strategies and catching techniques.

The fee is \$55 by cash or check, made payable to Tom Pile. The fee for those wishing to stay from noon until 12:45 p.m. for pitching camp is an additional \$10 for a total fee of \$65. The fee for only the pitching camp is \$10.

Facilities will include six hitting stations, five machines, three diamonds and four pitching mounds.

The following equipment will be needed: spikes or tennis shoes, long pants, tank top, T-shirt, jacket, hat, glove and bat (if available). Catchers should bring gear (if available) and a small water jug.

In case of rain, report to the high school gymnasium for verbal and film instruction.

For more information, contact Pile at 556-2970.

Cougars to hold select tryouts

The Collinsville Cougars select baseball team is holding tryouts for players born in 1990.

The Cougars, managed by Bill Dickerson, will play 40-45 games this year and at least 50 games next year. For more information, call Cecil Hampton at 346-8187.

held June 9-10 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Registration is \$45.

Basketball
Instruction in boys basketball will be held June 20-24. Class sessions for children in first through fourth grades will meet from 9 a.m.-noon. Classes for children in the fifth through eighth grades will meet from 1-4 p.m. Registration for either day camp is \$60.

A varsity team camp for high school students is scheduled July 17-21. Registration for residents is \$200; \$130 for commuters. Instruction in girls' basketball will be held July 11-15, meeting

from 9-11:30 a.m. A camp for high school varsity teams will be held July 25-30 from 6-10 p.m. Registration for either day camp is \$60. For additional information on the girls' day basketball camps, call Wendy Hedberg at 692-2880.

Wrestling
A day camp in wrestling is scheduled June 20-24, with classes meeting from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Registration is \$135. Additional information on any of the day or resident camps may be obtained by contacting the SIUE Office of Conferences and Institutes at 692-2660.



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Warriors

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RBI single by Dwayne Johnston in the sixth inning.

Jeff Ridenour continued his offensive resurgence with a three-run homer in the fifth off West starter Dave Wallis. Ridenour went 2-for-3 with four runs batted in to lead the way.

On the mound, Dickerson dominated the Maroons' lineup and had a no-hitter through three innings. He struck out four batters and gave up just one walk.

"We wanted this one," Dickerson said. "I just wanted to come out and pitch good and let us get ahead, and I knew if we did that we had a good chance of beating them."

After threatening in the second inning on a one-out double by Andy Rice, the Warriors grabbed a 2-0 lead off Wallis in the third. Sean Lakatos hit another one-out double, and a walk to Mark Winfield put runners at first and second. Ridenour drove in Lakatos with a single up the middle, sending Winfield to his fourth save, was needed Tuesday.

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Granite City has three conference games left and will face O'Fallon in a doubleheader Saturday. The Warriors have bounced back strongly after a disappointing finish in the Granite City Round-Robin Tournament last month and are gearing up for the stretch run.

"The good pitching and defense give you a chance to win," Lignoul said. "I really like how the kids are playing. The kids are real confident they're going to win."

"It's been a team effort. We're playing with a lot of togetherness."

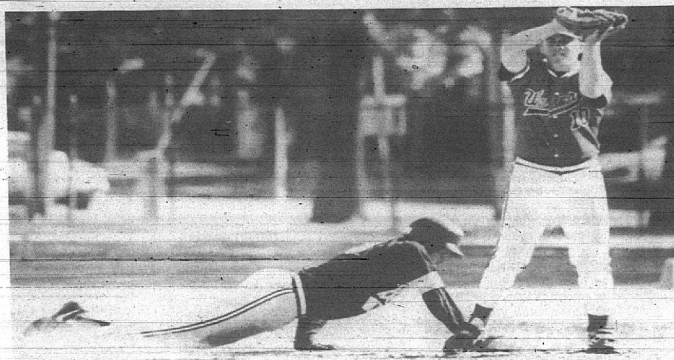
Park taking High School registration

The Granite City Park District is taking registration for its High School boys and girls slow-pitch softball leagues.

The leagues will start play the first week of June. The girls will play at Wilson Park Diamond 8 on Wednesday nights and the boys will play at Worthen Park on Saturday nights.

Registration will be held at the Wilson Park office, and the entry fee is \$180. The deadline for entry is Friday.

For more information, call Ray Hoffman at 877-3059.



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First baseman Mark Winfield keeps a Belleville West runner close.

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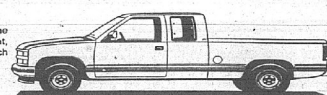
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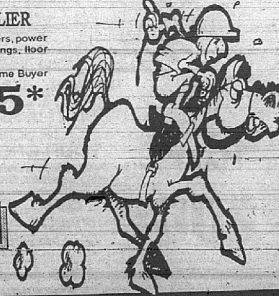
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Thursday, May 12
Asking favors is favored. Job interviews go well — show prospective employers that you have ideas and a willingness to learn. Traffic zips along. Keeping up with the pace is the only challenge. All the techno-whizzes have Mercury vibes for a tailwind, so information is easily passed back and forth. Do a little flirting by phone or fax — and write your sweetie a nice note.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
Take the first step in a new relationship with someone shy — this person can add good things to your life. Making plans and running errands are favored. You can win a friendly game, but losing may be a wiser move.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)
Explore potential bargains on big purchases. Improving routine systems, perhaps with the purchase of communications equipment, may yield big benefits. Watch for a fresh opportunity in an old situation.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)
The support of others is behind you — if you've prepared and laid the groundwork, you're on your way. One step at a time seems slow, but progress is solid and lasting. A fellow Gemini is your best pal now.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)
Giving love brings you the wisdom and knowledge you seek. More gets done by working alone today.



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Be understanding of a child's impatience, and then treat yourself to a long, hot bath and a cozy evening at home.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Strike a bargain with that difficult co-worker. All your effort has gone to good cause, and now you begin to reap long-awaited benefits. Your social life has you burning the candle at both ends — get some rest.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Communications from a distance bring good fortune. Exceptional people enter your life — receive them with an open mind, and reserve judgment until you've learned from them. Walking is the best exercise.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
Hospitality is the quality that takes you far now. A legal matter is working in your favor. Patience in small details impresses those around you. Plan that thrilling trip or new course of study.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)
Self-improvement is an important part of your goals for future. Unconventional activities loosen up your imagination and help you think of new solutions for nagging problems — be open to doing something different.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Keep up with routines, and don't procrastinate — tomorrow brings a little test of your grasp of details. Soon, chances to make extra money come from an unusual source. Be thorough.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Improvise when faced with problems today, and you'll be surprised at how effective you can be. A little moodiness begins now and lasts through the weekend.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Don't be confused by over-enthusiastic but misinformed colleagues — get the facts for yourself. Re-establish harmony with those who were difficult previously.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
All around you are promises — stick to money matters for these who were difficult previously. To solid routines. You're hard to pin down in money matters now, and that's good. If you save energy tonight, you can do everything on your agenda during the weekend.

MOVIE SCHEDULE

ALTON CINE
2640 Clair St., 462-1131
PCU (PG-13) 5:30
Schindler's List (R) 7:20
The Paper (R) 9:45, 9:50

CARMIKE PETITE
170 and Hwy. 157, Collinsville, 344-1708
PCU (PG-13) 7:15, 8:15
No Escape (R) 7:00, 9:30
3 Ninjas Kick Back (PG) 7:15, 9:30
Bad Girls (R) 7:00, 9:15

EASTGATE CINE
Eastgate Plaza E. Allen, 254-5289
Four Weddings & A Funeral (R) 5:00, 7:30
No Escape (R) 4:45, 7:30
With Honors (PG-13) 4:45, 7:15
The Judas Project (PG-13) 5:00, 7:15
3 Ninjas Kick Back (PG) 4:30, 6:45
Clean Slate (PG-13) 4:15, 7:00
Cottonwood Edwardsville Cinema

COTTONWOOD EDWARDSVILLE CINEMA
Edwardsville, Ill.
Schindler's List (R) 7:00
Philadelphia (PG-13) 7:15
Mighty Ducks 2 (PG) 6:45, 9:15

ESQUIRE CINE
8700 Clayton Road, 781-3300
Serial Mom (R) 5:00, 5:30, 7:30, 9:45
3 Ninjas Kick Back (PG) 1:15, 3:15, 5:20, 7:40, 9:50
Clean Slate (PG-13) 1:45, 3:00, 7:45, 9:55
The Paper (R) 2:00, 5:35, 8:15
The Judas Project (PG-13) 1:20, 3:20, 5:40, 8:00
Threesome (R) 1:00, 3:00, 5:10, 7:30, 9:40
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NAMEOKI CINEMA
30 Nameoki Village, 876-6630
The Favor (R) 7:00
Major League 2 (PG) 7:15

QUAD CINEMA
Belleville, Ill.
Bad Girls (R) 5:00, 7:15, 9:30
No Escape (R) 4:15, 7:00, 9:45
Four Weddings & A Funeral (R) 4:45, 7:30, 10:00
3 Ninjas Kick Back (PG) 4:30, 6:45, 9:00

RITZ 3 THEATER
403 E. Main St., Belleville, 233-3536
Ace Ventura (PG-13) 7:00, 9:00
My Father The Hero (PG) 7:30, 9:30
8 Seconds (PG-13) 7:15, 9:45

ROXANA CINE THEATER
Roxana, Ill., 254-6746
Mighty Ducks 2 (PG) 7:00

ST. CLAIR 10
50 Ludwig Drive, 398-8383
The Judas Project (PG-13) 11:50, 2:05, 4:15, 7:45, 10:00
Clean Slate (PG-13) 12:20, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:40
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Four Weddings And A Funeral (R) 11:45, 2:00, 4:20, 7:30, 9:20
Cops & Robbers (PG) 12:30, 2:25, 5:15, 7:35
Brainscan (R) 9:40
Major League 2 (PG) 12:05, 2:30, 4:50, 7:25, 9:35
The Mighty Ducks 2 (PG) 12:00, 2:15, 4:35
Surviving The Game (R) 7:15, 9:35
The Inevitable (R) 2:10, 5:20, 7:30, 9:30
PCU (PG-13) 12:25, 2:40, 5:05, 7:05, 9:00
With Honors (PG-13) 12:10, 2:20, 4:40, 7:20, 9:45

UNION STATION 10
Power House Place at Union Station, 822-4800
Above The Rim (R) 4:50, 7:05, 9:15
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You So Crazy (NR) 3:30, 7:55, 9:45
Bad Girls (R) 4:55, 7:10, 9:30
Clean Slate (PG-13) 5:00, 7:15, 9:20
The Judas Project (PG-13) 5:05, 7:20, 9:40
Night Of The Demons 2 (R) 4:45, 7:30, 9:45
Brainscan (R) 9:35
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3 NINJAS KICK BACK PG
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Let's assume that a man and woman are divorced and that the mother obtains custody of the two children from the marriage. The father in this hypothetical case is ordered to pay \$300.00 per month in child support at the time of the dissolution of marriage. How can the father reduce his child support obligation in the event he becomes unemployed?

Under Illinois law a judgment of dissolution which provides for child support can normally only be modified by filing a motion for modification — and showing a substantial change in circumstances. Generally speaking, a parent paying support can only modify his obligation for installments coming due after the filing of the motion for modification. Illinois courts have continued to hold that past due child support payments are a vested right, and the parent paying support cannot modify child support which has already accrued.

In one recent case, the father was ordered to pay child support, but he became disabled shortly after the divorce. He filed a petition to modify his child support obligation two years

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after he became disabled, and the trial court terminated his child support retroactively for the period of time he was disabled. During his disability, he had no income.

The Illinois Department of Public Aid appealed this decision on behalf of the mother and argued that the trial court should not have retroactively modified the ex-husband's child support obligation. The issue on appeal was whether or not a trial court may provide for a reduction in child support retroactive to the time the petitioner sought a modification.

The Appellate Court held that the trial court could not terminate the father's child support obligation retroactively. The Court recognized the father's hardship based on his disability, but the case was returned to the trial court for the purposes of computing the father's arrears in this case. This case emphasizes the fact that a support parent should return to court immediately to reduce or terminate child support if that parent has a substantial reduction in income.

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